Amendments to the Specification:

On <u>Page 3</u>, please replace the second paragraph after the heading "Brief Description of the Drawings" with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 1 shows the dependence of the service life of a dual-material friction bearing on the average load in a characteristic curve which illustrates the number of load changes until bearing metal breakage under different loads, and

On <u>Page 3</u>, please replace the third paragraph after the heading "Brief Description of the Drawings" with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 2 shows the wear and tear of a cover layer made of a sliding lacquer based on molybdenum sulfide on the basis of characteristic lines representative of the wear-induced decrease of thickness of the cover layer over the load time of a predetermined load—, and

On <u>Page 3</u>, before the heading "Description of the Preferred Embodiment" please add the following <u>new</u> paragraph:

Fig. 3 shows a friction bearing according to the invention in schematic section.

On Page 4, after the last paragraph, please add the following $\underline{\text{new}}$ paragraph:

Fig. 3 shows a friction bearing with a metallic support shell 1 on which a slide layer 2 made of a bearing metal is applied. Slide layer 2 carries a cover layer 3 which serves as a running layer and whose thickness corresponds at most to the wear of the cover layer that can be expected during the average service life of slide layer 2.